

Chief, Army Communications Service

23 Feb 1949

Chief, FBIB

Operation of AT&T Circuit London-New York

1. Further to memorandum dated 9 February 1949, enclosed is a report from Frampton of an outage for which operators at UEP appear to have been at fault. Reports reaching this office indicate that since the establishment of this circuit some friction has arisen between the personnel at the London terminal and the UEP staff, with Frampton concluding that traffic is poorly handled at UEP and Gentry reporting that WPPBK is "a very hard station to work".

2. It is suggested that if the arrangement whereby FBIB has almost exclusive use of one duplex channel is to continue, this friction could be largely eliminated by working out an arrangement to terminate the New York circuit directly at UEPSE, as well as at UEP, with coordination procedure to insure availability of the circuit for Department of the Army teleconferences. Responsibility for control of the circuit and coordination with AT&T New York would rest with FBIB during the time FBIB traffic was occupying the circuit. This arrangement would have also the advantage to FBIB of eliminating the time required for tape relay at UEP, which averages between 30 minutes and 1 hour according to spot checks made at this office.

L. K. WHITE

Attachment

STAT

CC: Ch, Comm Div
Ch, London Bur

OO 1:2 copies
Adm Off...

PKE/jg

This document is part of classified
integrated file.
If separated from file, document is
unclassified.